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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

SHIN MUTO

Application No.: 09/625,842

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For: SYSTEM FOR SEARCHING  
FOR APPARATUS CONNECTED  
TO NETWORK AND APPARATUS  
EMPLOYED BY SAME SYSTEM,  
AND CONTROL METHOD  
THEREFOR

Examiner: K. Lim

Group Art Unit: 2153

June 9, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the document listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the document listed is enclosed.

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Applicant also respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the following U.S. Applications:

| <u>APPLICATION NO.</u> | <u>FILING DATE</u> | <u>GROUP ART UNIT</u> | <u>DOCKET NO.</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 09/570,407             | May 12, 2000       | 2173                  | 03500.014467.     |
| 09/576,245             | May 24, 2000       | 2172                  | 03500.014506.     |
| 09/612,565             | July 7, 2000       | 2143                  | 03500.014627.     |
| 09/612,946             | July 10, 2000      | 2153                  | 03500.014625.     |

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the application specification, claims and drawings for each of the foregoing U.S. Applications is enclosed.

In as much as this Information Disclosure Statement accompanies a Request For Continued Examination (RCE), which has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that the Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next communication.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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